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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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LONG ISLAND OFFICE

HEATHER BROWN

Plainti C, V: -13 MPL 5397

-against-

OMEGA MOULDING COMPANY Ltd.

NY Ltd. FEUERSTEIN. J

LINDSAY, M.

Plaintiff, HEATHER BROWN, by her attorney, Raymond Nardo, Esq., complaining of the above defendants, alleges as follows:

## JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. This action arises under the Family Medical Leave Act, 29 U.S.C. Section 2601, et. seg.
- 2. This Court has jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. Sec. 1331.
- 3. Venue is proper in the Eastern District of New York according to 28 U.S.C. 1391 because all parties are located there, and the cause of action arose there.

## THE PARTIES

- 4. The plaintiff is a female employed by the Omega Moulding Ltd. ("Omega")
- 5. At all relevant time herein, plaintiff resides in Shirley, New York.
- 6. Defendant Omega is an employer located at One Saw Grass Drive, Bellport, New York.
- 7. Defendant employs 50 or more employees and is an "employer" under the Family Medical Leave Act ("FMLA").
- 8. Defendant conducted business in the Eastern District of New York at the time of plaintiff's termination.

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- 9. Plaintiff worked for Omega for more than one year before her termination.
- 10. Plaintiff worked for Omega for more than 1,250 hours per year in the year preceding her termination.
- 11. Defendants employ 50 or more employees and constitute an "employer" as defined under the FMLA.

## COUNT I

- 12. Plaintiff repeats, realleges, and reincorporates, as though fully set forth herein, all factual allegations previously set forth.
- 13. On or about March 5, 2012, plaintiff began working for Omega in Order Entry.
- 14. Plaintiff was later assigned more duties when she was assigned to Customer Service duties.
- 15. At all times herein, plaintiff was qualified to perform the duties of her positions. She received bonuses in the forms of gift cards and "pickle bucks."
- 16. At all times herein, plaintiff performed her duties in a satisfactory fashion, or better.
- 17. On or about February 6, 2013, plaintiff's son, Malakai, was in stomach pain and contracted the flu and a strep infection. He was also constipated. As a result, plaintiff was absent from work, due her son's serious health conditions, on February 6, February 25, March 11, March 18, and March 26.
  - 18. Plaintiff furnished a doctor's note to defendant.
- 19. On or about March 15, plaintiff's daughter, Serenity, contracted a serious health condition and suffered from a stomach flu.
- 20. As a result, plaintiff was absent from March 15, 2013 through March 22, 2013 to care for her daughter's serious health condition.
- 21. Plaintiff furnished a doctor's note to defendant about these absences.
  - 22. On March 22, 2013, defendant terminated plaintiff.
- 23. Defendant never provided notice to plaintiff that her league was designated or covered by the FMLA.

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- 25. Defendant terminated plaintiff, though she was entitled to 12 weeks of leave under the FMLA.
- 26. Defendant willfully, unlawfully, and intentionally, denied plaintiff leave under the FMLA and terminated her, in violation of the FMLA.
- 27. Plaintiff seeks damages and remedies, set forth below, for Defendant's unlawful violations of the FMLA.

## JURY DEMAND

28. The plaintiff demands trial by jury.

WHEREFORE, the plaintiff demands judgment against the defendant and prays:

- (a) That this court award plaintiff backpay, lost earnings, lost life and health insurance, pre-judgment interest, liquidated damages, compensatory damages, punitive damages, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, pursuant to the FMLA;
- (b) That this court award the plaintiff such other and further relief as may be just and equitable.

Dated: Mineola, New York September 26, 2013

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